

Via ECFS



December 2, 2016

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: *In the Matter of Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization*, WC Docket No. 11-42; **Notice for Forbearance From Lifeline Broadband Internet Access Service Requirements**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Dialog Telecommunications, Inc. ("Dialog", Study Area Codes 289012 and 269011) hereby notifies the FCC that it is availing itself of forbearance granted by the Lifeline Modernization Order¹ from the obligation to offer Lifeline-supported broadband Internet Access Service. Dialog elects this forbearance relief for the entirety of its study area where it is designated as a competitive eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC). The information requested by the Wireline Competition Bureau² is as follows:

1. Carrier Name: Dialog Telecommunications, Inc.

2. ETC Designation Information:

Dialog was granted ETC designation on 12-15-2003 in Mississippi Public Service Commission Docket No. 03-UA-665. MS Study Area Name: Dialog Telecommunications, Inc. SAC 289012. High Cost and Low Income.

Dialog was granted ETC designation on 5-15-2006 in Kentucky Public Service Docket No. 2005-00479. KY Study Area Name: Dialog Telecommunications, SAC 269011. High Cost and Low Income.

3. Areas Where ETC Seeks Forbearance: Dialog hereby accepts the FCC's forbearance relief from any requirement to offer Lifeline discounts on BIAS in all of the Census Blocks within its ETC service areas, including the Census Blocks listed in Attachment A hereto. Dialog has made every effort to comprehensively list all of the Census Blocks in its ETC service area in Attachment A, but for the avoidance of confusion states that it intends this list to cover all of the Census Blocks within its ETC service area. If it is later discovered that any such Census Blocks were inadvertently omitted, Dialog reserves the right to supplement this filing to make administrative corrections to Attachment A.

¹ Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization et al., WC Docket No. 11-42 et al., Third Report and Order, Further Report and Order, and Order on Reconsideration, 31 FCC Rcd 3962 (2016).

² Public Notice, "Wireline Competition Bureau Provides Guidance Regarding Filing Procedures for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Seeking to Invoice Forbearance Granted by Lifeline Modernization Order," DA 16-1316 (rel Nov. 22, 2016)



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Please contact me at (806) 722-2247, dpurdy@Dialogtechtel.com or Connie Wightman at (407) 740-8575, cwightman@tminc.com if you need any further information.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dell Purdy". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dell Purdy
VP Regulatory Compliance

Attachment

cc Universal Service Administrative Company
(Via Email: TelcoLifeline@usac.org)